

# Media Information



**Columbus Division of Police**  
**Traffic Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit**

Date: November 3, 2020

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Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash

Date: 11/3/20

Time: 5:45 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: I-270 n/b south of E. Main

Zone: 2

Precinct: 14

Incident Report #: 200830390

Cruiser District: 142

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**Incident Summary:** On Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at approximately 5:45 PM, Ms. Brenda Aldridge-Cendejas (52) of Canal Winchester, was driving alone in a minivan, northbound on I-270 at I-70 on the east side of Columbus. Ms. Aldridge-Cendejas drifted out of her lane of travel and struck a road construction sign and an orange construction barrel. This crash smashed the car's windshield, making visibility impossible. However, Ms. Aldridge-Cendejas continued to drive northbound on I-270 for approximately another ¼ mile until she again left the roadway, this time striking the attenuator of a guardrail. This second crash disabled the vehicle and Ms. Aldridge-Cendejas was critically injured.

Police and EMS responded and Ms. Aldridge-Cendejas was transported to Mt. Carmel East Hospital in life-threatening condition. She died at the hospital at 6:31 PM.

The Accident Investigation Unit responded and initiated an investigation, which is ongoing.

So far in 2020, Columbus has had 66 traffic fatalities resulting from 63 fatal crashes, a 21% increase over the same date in 2019.

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